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for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

[1](#)1. (C) Per ref a request, we met with MFA Arms Control and Disarmament Office Head Osman Yavuzalp on April 17 to urge Turkey to encourage the participation of 50 new countries in the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI). Yavuzalp said Turkey would review the US request, but he expected a positive response from the GOT, which believes that PSI supports the interests of every country, particularly Turkey's Central Asian neighbors.

[1](#)2. (C) Yavuzalp added that some of the countries have already indicated their interest in PSI by notifying Turkey of their planned participation in Anatolian Sun, the combined air, land and sea PSI exercise that Turkey will host next month. Azerbaijan, for example, has committed to send one representative to the exercise. Yavuzalp also noted that Iraq plans to send four individuals.

[1](#)3. (C) Additionally, Yavuzalp confirmed, Turkey is extending invitations to GCC countries to participate in Anatolian Sun, as requested by the US (refs b and c). Given the short lead

time before the exercise, the GOT has asked its embassies in each country to deliver the invitations. Yavuzalp just returned from the PSI Operations Expert Group meeting in Miami and was uncertain of the level of positive response but pledged to track down that information.

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